

Fact:

At least **50%** of
sexually active people
will get genital HPV.



Most won't know they have it.
Learn about this common virus.

Genital human papillomavirus (HPV) is passed on by sex. Most times, genital HPV is harmless. It has no symptoms and goes away on its own. But sometimes, genital HPV can cause health problems.

You should know that:

- There are many types of genital HPV.
- Some types of genital HPV can cause genital warts.
- Other types of genital HPV can cause cervical cancer in women.
- Cervical cancer can be prevented with regular Pap tests.

It is not known how much protection condoms provide against genital HPV. However, condoms may reduce your risk of genital warts and cervical cancer, which are caused by HPV. Condoms can also reduce your risk of HIV and some other sexually transmitted infections, when used all the time and the right way.

For more information,
call 1-800-CDC-INFO or
visit www.cdc.gov/std/hpv/

